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SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

FOR AMBASSADOR L. DEAN BROWN FROM CHARGE

REF: (A) STATE 097854 (B) OTTAWA 1565

1. SUMMARY. GOC INFORMED EMBASSY TODAY THAT IT WOULD ADMIT TO CANADA 3000 VIETNAMESE REFUGEES OVER AND ABOVE THOSE VIETNAMESE (PLUS FAMILIES) HOLDING CANADIAN "VISA LETTERS". OF THIS TOTAL, 2000 FIGURE APPLIES TO THOSE IN US AND IS IN DIRECT RESPONSE TO USG APPEAL (REFTEL A). 1000 FIGURE ESTABLISHED FOR VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN OTHER PLACES LIKE THAILAND AND HONG KONG.

2. JOHN HADWEN, DIRECTOR GENERAL, CONSULAR AFFAIRS BUREAU, EXTAFF, INFORMED CHARGE AFTER CABINET MEETING TODAY THAT GOC HAD TAKEN FOLLOWING DECISIONS:

(A) ADMIT TO CANADA ALL VIETNAMESE IN POSSESSION "VISA LETTERS" (REFTEL B) PLUS THEIR FAMILIES. WHILE 3500 SUCH LETTERS RELEASED, ONLY 1908 WERE SENT OUT BY CANADIAN

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MISSION IN SAIGON BEFORE ITS CLOSE-DOWN LAST WEEK.

REMAINDER WERE PASSED TO INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION FOR SUBSEQUENT DISTRIBUTION, THOUGH MANY ADDRESSEES WERE ASSUMED TO BE OUTSIDE SAIGON AND BEHIND ENEMY LINES. GOC THINKS THAT PERHAPS ONLY 100 OR SO "VISA LETTER" HOLDERS GOT OUT, AND IT BELIEVES 82 OF THEM ARE NOW AT GUAM OR WAKE. QUESTION FOR FUTURE: HOW LONG WILL SUCH LETTER BE VALID FOR ENTRY TO CANADA?

(B) IN ADDITION, ADMIT TO CANADA 2000 OTHER VIETNAMESE (THIS IS INCLUSIVE FIGURE FOR FAMILIES AS WELL AS PRINCIPALS) NOW IN US (GUAM, WAKE, PENDLETON, ETC.).

(C) ALSO, ADMIT TO CANADA 1000 FROM ELSEWHERE (LIKE THAILAND, HONG KONG).

(D) CAMBODIAN REFUGEE MATTER WILL RECEIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION (PRESUMABLY SYMPATHETIC).

3. HADWEN THOUGHT USG MIGHT FIND FIGURE OF 2000, MADE IN DIRECT RESPONSE TO USG APPEAL, HELPFUL, ESPECIALLY SINCE GOC HAD NO IDEA WHAT PART OF RESETTLEMENT BURDEN OTHER COUNTRIES MIGHT BE ASSUMING. HE SAID GOC WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING INFORMATION AVAILABLE ALONG THIS LINE.

4. ABOVE FIGURES WERE MADE PUBLIC BY MANPOWER AND IMMIGRATION MINISTER ANDRAS IN COMMONS THIS AFTERNOON.
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